# TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD

November 14, 2016



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- Approval of October 24, 2016 Minutes
- Public Discussion Period
- Public Hearing
- Staff Reports and Updates

# Establishing Overnight Parking Restriction in Lincolnia Hills



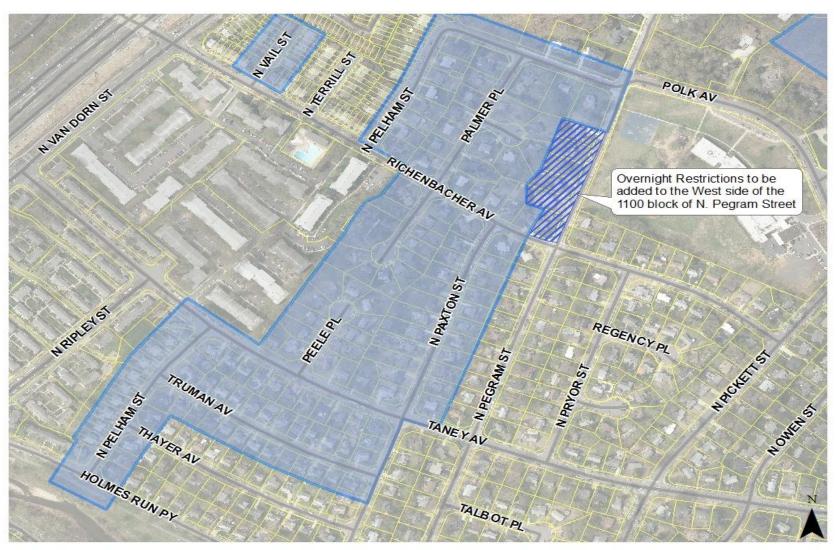
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# Expansion Overnight Parking Restriction on 1100 Block of N. Pegram Street



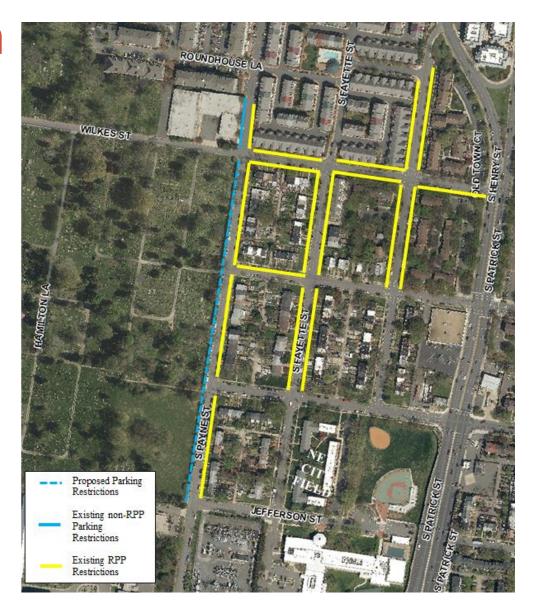
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# Installation Three Hour Parking Restriction From 8AM-5PM, Monday-Friday on West Side of the 500, 600, and 700 Blocks of South Payne Street



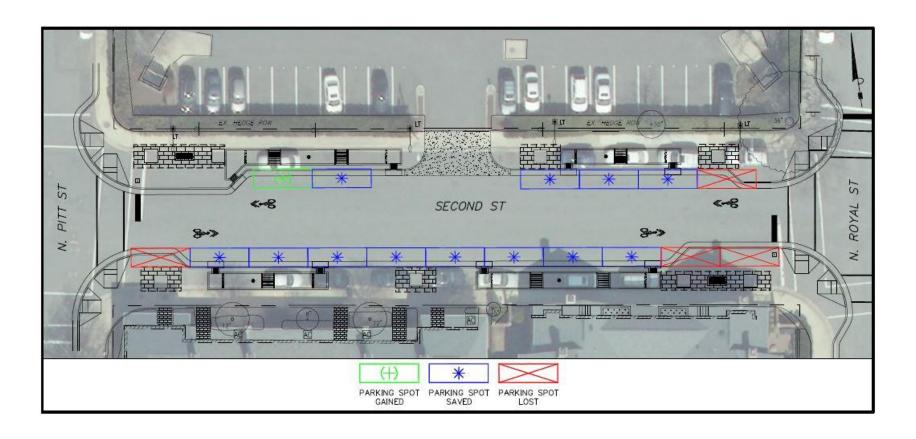
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# Removal of Four Parking Spaces on the 400 Block of Second Street for Green Infrastructure and Pedestrian Improvements



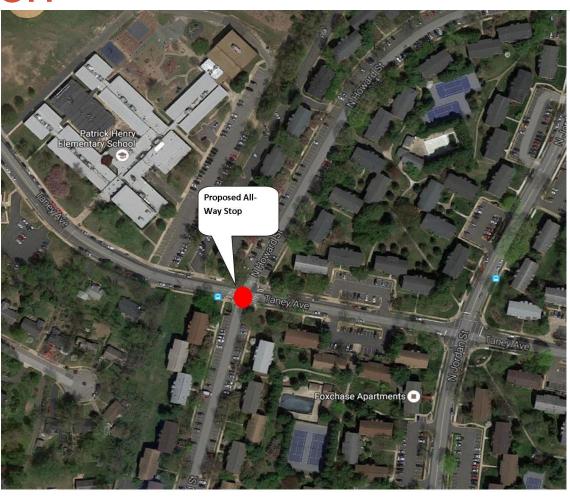
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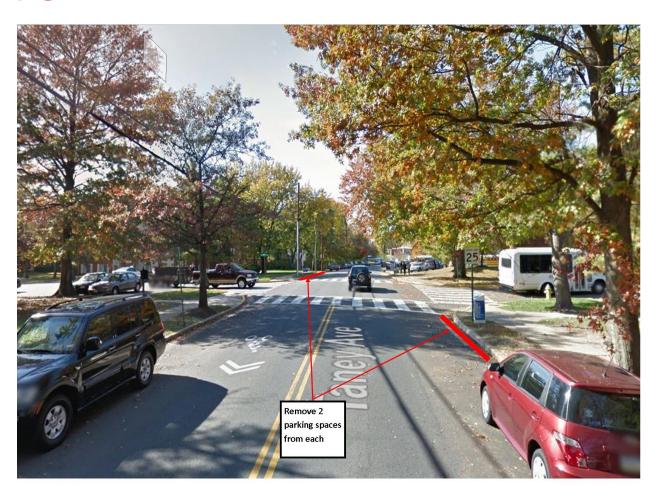
# All Way Stop Sign Request at the Intersection of Taney Avenue and N. Howard Street



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# Reviewing the Biennial and Public Hearing on Conditions within the Alexandria Taxicab Industry



#### **Economic Condition**

- 143,000 Registered TNCs in Virginia
- Demand for dispatch service is decreasing
- Demand at airport is unchanged
- Alexandria has 30 driver vacancies and growing
- Gas prices down 40% since last biennial review
- Service is adequate

# Proposing Changes to Part II, Title 9, Chapter 12 of the City Code and the City Manager Regulations



# Changes of City Codes and the City Manager Regulations

9-12-34(a) Authorizations not in use

4.1.A. Age Limit for Taxicab Vehicles

6.2. Taxicab Industry Fees

## **Existing Fees**

	Alexandria	Arlington	Fairfax
Certificate (company)	\$4,000	N/A	N/A
Affiliated Vehicles (company)	\$150	\$150	\$150
Vehicle Permit (driver)	\$150	N/A	N/A
Driver's Permit (driver)	\$150	\$40	\$40

#### Taxicab Fare Rate



### Regional Taxicab Fare Rates and Charges

	Alexandria	Arlington	Fairfax	Montg. Cty.	Uber X
Drop	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.50	\$4.00	\$2.50
Mileage	\$2.16	\$2.16	\$2.16	\$2.00	\$1.02
Waiting	\$24.92	\$23.40	\$21.60	\$28.00	\$10.20
Passengers	\$1.25	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	
Suitcases	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$1.00	
Trunk			\$2.00	\$2.00	
Groc. Bags			\$0.25	\$1.00	
Animals	\$2.00		\$1.00		
Snow	\$5.00			\$2.50	
Other					\$5.00 Canc. Fee

# Recommendation on the Renewal of Existing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity



### Summary of Staff's Recommendations

Company	Dispatch Calls per Driver	Current Authorized Taxicabs	Recommended Changes	Total Recommended Authorizations
Alexandria Yellow Cab	5.8	279	0	279
King Cab	1.3	53	0	53
VIP Cab	1.2	63	0	63
White Top Cab	7.3	107	0	107
Alexandria Union Cab	<1	225	0	225
GoGreen Cab	<1	17	0	17

# STAFF UPDATE: Reduced Speed Limits on Seminary Road & Quaker Lane



# Background

- Speed limit reduction and safety improvements requested by community for Seminary Rd. and N. Quaker Ln.
- Staff attended meetings with the community in fall 2015 to hear concerns and discuss options to improve safety
- In February 2016, Board approved motion to recommend to the City Manager to reduce the speed limits on Seminary Rd. and on N. Quaker Ln. to 25 mph from 35 mph, and to include increased enforcement

#### Implementation of Speed Limit Changes

- Changes went into effect on March 25, 2016
- Public was notified two weeks prior to changes
  - Variable message boards
  - Emails to civic associations
  - Enews
  - Social media
- Speed indicator signs installed along the corridor
- APD enforcement increased with FY17 budget

# Before & After: Speeds

- Speeds are down on Seminary Rd. and Quaker Ln., but still exceed new posted speed limit (25 mph)
  - Average 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds decreased 15.4% on Quaker Ln. and decreased 6.3% on Seminary Rd.
  - Average 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed still exceed posted speed limit by 11 mph on Quaker Ln. and 12 mph on Seminary Rd.
- Increased enforcement was likely a key piece in speed reduction

		Before		After		Difference	
Street	Segment	Speed Limit	Avg. 85 <sup>th</sup> % Speed (mph)		Avg. 85 <sup>th</sup> % Speed (mph)	Avg. 85 <sup>th</sup> % Speed (mph)	
Quaker Ln	King St to Duke St	35	42.1	25	35.6	-6.5	-15.4%
Seminary Rd	N Pickett St to Quaker Ln	35	39.6	25	37.1	-2.5	-6.3%

# Before & After: Traffic Volumes (ADT)

- Traffic volumes decreased slightly on Quaker Ln. and Seminary Rd.
  - Volumes decreased on Quaker Ln by 8% and Seminary Rd by 2.7%

	Segment	Avg. Daily Traffic (# of vehicles)				
Street		Before	After	Difference	Difference (%)	
Quaker Ln	King St to Duke St	21510	19800	-1710	-8.0%	
Seminary Rd	N Pickett St to Quaker Ln	14730	14330	-400	-2.7%	

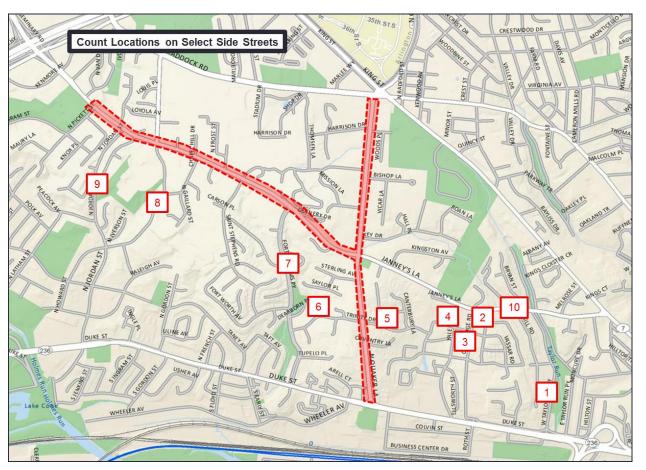
#### Before & After: Crashes

- Reported crashes decreased on Seminary Rd and Quaker
   Ln based on preliminary analysis
  - No causation can be determined at this time between reduced speed limits and decrease in reported crashes

		Crashes between May 1 – Sept 30			
Street	Segment	Before (2011-2015) – 5 Year Average	After (2016)		
Quaker Ln	King St to Duke St	7.0	3		
Seminary Rd	N Pickett St to Quaker Ln	2.8	0		

#### Before & After: Side Streets

 Volumes and speeds on side streets have remained relatively the same, with little to no variation, and no clear trends of traffic diversion from Seminary Rd. and Quaker Ln.



#### Before and After: Side Street Volumes

			Avg. Daily Traffic (# of vehicles)			
#	Street	Segment	Before	After	Difference	Difference (%)
1	W Taylor Run Pkwy	Duke St Service Rd & Dartmouth Rd	4,845	4,460	-385	-7.9%
2	Cloverway Ln	Janneys Ln & Vassar Rd	330	359	29	+8.8%
3	Cambridge Rd	Janneys Ln & Vassar Rd	2,691	2,715	24	+0.9%
4	Yale Dr	Janneys Ln & Vassar Rd	1,932	2,065	133	+6.9%
5	Trinity Dr	Cathedral Dr & Canterbury Ln	957	895	-62	-6.5%
6	Trinity Dr	Quaker Ln & Ft William Pkwy	571	561	-10	-1.8%
7	Ft. William Pkwy	Seminary Rd & Trinity Dr	1,196	1,238	42	+3.5%
8	North Howard St	Seminary Rd & N Jordan St	6,176	5,408	-768	-12.4%
9	North Jordan St	Seminary Rd & Howard St	7,384	7,838	454	+6.1%
10	Janneys Ln	Skyhill Rd & W Taylor Run Pkwy	7,902	7,292	-610	-7.7%

# Before and After: Side Street Speeds

			Avg. 85th Percentile Speed			
#	Street	Segment	Before (mph)	After (mph)	Difference (mph)	Difference (%)
			(IIIPII)	(IIIPII)	(III)	(70)
1	W Taylor Run Pkwy	Duke St Service Rd & Dartmouth Rd	27.3	29.5	+2.2	+8.1%
2	Cloverway Ln	Janneys Ln & Vassar Rd	27.1	23.5	-3.6	-13.3%
3	Cambridge Rd	Janneys Ln & Vassar Rd	23.3	22.0	-1.3	-5.6%
4	Yale Dr	Janneys Ln & Vassar Rd	24.6	24.5	-0.1	-0.4%
5	Trinity Dr	Cathedral Dr & Canterbury Ln	33	28.5	-4.5	-13.6%
6	Trinity Dr	Quaker Ln & Ft William Pkwy	28.4	27.5	-0.9	-3.2%
7	Ft. William Pkwy	Seminary Rd & Trinity Dr	25.7	28.5	+2.8	+10.9%
8	North Howard St	Seminary Rd & N Jordan St	31.1	29.0	-2.1	-6.8%
9	North Jordan St	Seminary Rd & Howard St	34.8	37.5	+2.7	+7.8%
10	Janneys Ln	Skyhill Rd & W Taylor Run Pkwy	33.4	31.0	-2.4	-7.2%

# Next Steps

 Staff will continue to evaluate and monitor reduced speed limits on Seminary and Quaker, as well as side streets

